

please address me here
before the 15th April —

I cannot go on the N.W. Bond
and Survey as I expected, the
place of surgeon anatomist
having been given to Dr. Kennel
— who will no doubt be glad
to make any observation on the
botany you may suggest, though
I do not think he has paid
much attention to the subject.

There is still likely to be much
delay in printing the botany of
the N.P.R.R. Survey. Dr. Torrey
says that Prestell received
the drawings of plants
to be engraved for it. I intend
to inquire about this at the
office of Capt. Humphreys

Very Respectfully
Yours
Wm. H. Chases

Washington Apr 3 2 57

Prof Gray

Dear Sir

Your kind

notes of Dec. 17th were forwarded
to me here, and I received
soon after the package of herbaria

I now send you as requested
specimens of the plants you de-
sired to see. Having but one spec-
imen of *Viola Nuttallii*, I could
send only a fragment which I
hope may serve for identification.

Besides the others marked in the
list which I return I have put
in a few which I thought might
interest you viz. *Acc. glaberrima*
with male flowers only (probably
dioecious) I did not find the fertile
Delphinium nevadense from the Str.
of Lundy, with perennial tuberous
roots

Dr Ferris's *Lathyrus*? villosus
you will see is quite different from
your *Orobus littoralis*—

With Keteleodan I send a small
fragment of *Lothopsis*, found with
it—The *Rubus* is quite distinct
from "macropetalus," apparently
but is not urbinus. Mr Thurber
sulkily calls it *R. trivialis* Hitchc
and observes that a form very like
it occurs in Sonora. The leaves are
not evergreen nor even coriaceous
I have not found *trivialis* attrib-
uted to the western coast—

I send a small specimen of what
I took for *Aphyllon uniflorum*, and
would like to know whether it is the
Phelipaea californica—

Also an uncommon small variety
of *Calandrinia Menziesii*—

If you have any remarks on these
plants for the botanical Report